

Blue River Church of Christ

May 31, 2015

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Order of Worship

Contact Information 221 NE Woods Chapel Rd Lee's Summit, MO 64064 816-373-7448 office@bluerivercofc.org www.bluerivercofc.org	Worship Times Sunday Bible Study 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 8:30, 10:45 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
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Elders	Earl Fultz Russ Simmons Jan Sullivan
Deacons	Jim Bassford David Blankenship David Foster Darren Herrmann Jack Hudkins John Owen Mike Peerson
Pulpit Minister	Darin Kennedy

Statistics for May 24, 2015 Attendance	92 + 139 = 231
Contribution	\$3,394.35
Weekly Average Contribution Needed to Meet Budget	\$5,250
Average Actual Year to Date Weekly Giving	\$5,217

Downtown Church of Christ Food for Life

They have need for: Ramen noodles, pasta meals, peanut butter, kool-aid, canned or packaged tuna, canned chicken, jello, cornbread mix, snack bars, applesauce or fruit cups, green beans, corn, mixed vegetables, bar soap, women's body wash, and tooth paste. Please leave all donations in the office.

Prayer Warriors are waiting to hear from you. This group of caring people will pray for you and your request. Place a note in the "Prayer Warrior" box, or go to the BRCC website and leave a message. You may remain anonymous. Don't carry that burden alone. Let the power of prayer work in your life.

<u>8:30</u>	<u>10:45</u>
<i>Private Reading</i> Mark 10:46-52	<i>Private Reading</i> Mark 10:46-52
#66 "Doxology" #613 "Hold to God's Unchanging Hand"	#66 "Doxology" #613 "Hold to God's Unchanging Hand"
<i>Scripture</i> Jeff Petersen Psalm 146	<i>Scripture</i> Gary Hasty Psalm 146
#23 "Our God, He Is Alive" #15 "Step by Step" #77 "Glorify Thy Name"	#23 "Our God, He Is Alive" #15 "Step by Step" #77 "Glorify Thy Name"
<i>Prayer</i> David Blankenship	<i>Prayer</i> Alan Olas
#364 "Come, Share the Lord"	#364 "Come, Share the Lord"
<i>Lord's Supper</i> Gary Campbell, presiding	<i>Lord's Supper</i> Rich Pearce, presiding
<i>The Bread</i> <i>The Cup</i>	<i>The Bread</i> <i>The Cup</i>
<i>Giving</i>	<i>Giving</i>
"You Are Holy"	"You Are Holy"
<i>Power Kids</i> Fruits of the Spirit	<i>Power Kids</i> Fruits of the Spirit
<i>Lesson</i> Darin Kennedy "In Full View"	<i>Lesson</i> Darin Kennedy "In Full View"
#790 "Lord, Take Control"	#790 "Lord, Take Control"
<i>Shepherd's Prayer</i> Russ Simmons	<i>Shepherd's Prayer</i> Earl Fultz
<i>Final Blessing</i> Isaiah 42:16	<i>Final Blessing</i> Isaiah 42:16
<i>Songs Led By</i> Ron McCleary	<i>Songs Led By</i> Ron McCleary

In Need of Prayers

Donna Kerns had surgery on Thursday. **Fleta Duncan** was admitted to St. Luke's East following a fall last week. **Jim Trotter** is in Research with blood clots in his legs. **Jasen Smith** has pneumonia. **Pat Segó** is fighting an infection. **Carrie Eaton's** father, Sam Bruno, a member at Pleasant Hill, is improving at Research Hospital. **Vickie Sullivan's** mother, Mattie Weiss, has been moved to hospice care. Continue to pray for **Brittany Johnston, Robert Hicks, Betty Williams, Michael May, and Grover Renick.**

New Adult Classes

Beginning June 7, we will be offering new classes:

Auditorium – **Darin Kennedy** will present “Hard-Working Bible Readers.”

New Classroom – **Larry Sullivan** will be offering a study on Ecclesiastes.

Library – **Dave Blankenship** and **Ron McCleary** are studying with Young Adults (ages 18-30) on “Jesus the _____,” looking at Jesus from various perspectives.

Re-Affirmation

June 14 (Sunday) – In both morning services we will have our annual re-affirmation vote. This time we will be considering some of our deacons: **David Blankenship, Darren Herrmann, and John Owen.**

Senior Banquet

June 6 (Saturday, 5:30 p.m.) – RSVP to **Shirley Simmons.** Also, anyone that may have borrowed white tablecloths, please make sure those are returned prior to the banquet. Graduates are **Ruth Church, Shannon Fultz, Candra Hastings, Kara Herrmann, Michael Kennedy, Kristina Kimbrell, Bob Minton, Cara Owen, Reina Pearce, Alana Peerson, Katie Rosas, Kayla Carroll-Seuferling.**

Vacation Bible School – June 14-17

You can go to our website home page, bluerivercofc.org, to sign up your children, neighbors, and family members to participate in our upcoming VBS, *Be a Superhero!*

Family Float Trip

For all those planning to participate in the Family Float Trip, June 28-30, please have your money to **John Wubbenhorst TODAY.**

Birthdays – May 31-June 6

Pam Harrington – May 31

Steve Etter & Heath Church – June 2

Dylan Wahlen – June 3

Stormy Cook & Raylan Gurski – June 6

Missing from last week

Georgetta May – May 24

David Foster – May 30

The Preacher's Post – *Darin Kennedy*

We continue our search for a new Family Life Minister. Applications are coming in, and a few initial conversations are happening. Please keep the process in your prayers that the right person might be a blessing to the Blue River congregation. Also keep in your prayers our congregation that we might be ready to participate fully in the ministry God will bring about through the new minister.

As we prepare for a new minister, we should be ready to listen to and accept some new ideas. We are not asking someone to come and do what we have always been doing; instead, we have needs that require leadership in ways we have not had before. While we do not want a new minister to work outside Blue River's identity or our biblical calling, we do expect creativity within the expansive and growing boundaries of the kingdom of God. Many families and young people with many individual needs will require many ideas and opportunities to meet those needs.

The new minister will not come in and just teach the teens' Bible class on Sunday mornings or Wednesday evenings. The new minister will not be limited to organizing our calendar around our normal events and putting up more sign-up sheets. He will be busy about small groups that will meet several nights of the week. He will be mentoring adult leaders and young people through conversations at coffee shops and athletic events and picnic tables, etc. He will envision, plan, and enact new events like mission trips, service opportunities, and retreats. He will communicate with and beyond bulletin articles and email and Facebook and Twitter, using whatever connects with people today. His ministry will look different from what we have already experienced.

I have seen too many congregations who are overly hesitant about new ideas. Because of a suspicion about all things new, they dismiss what might be a way of effectively communicating with the hearts of a new generation or with unchurched people or with those in pain. We want to be supportive of new ideas—ready to give excited approval, quick to participate whenever possible, eager to learn how to meet the needs of people not like us, and humble to evaluate and even correct in love.

The super-majority of the new ideas actually will not come from the new minister, but they will come from the creativity of members who have been here for many years and who have been inspired by the new minister's mentoring to reach out to new people, serve a new generation, and accomplish good works. As he equips, the members of the body will create and work to the glory of God.

Sunday Morning Nursery Attendants

May 31	1 st Service	Laurie & Hayley Kerley
	2 nd Service	Jessica Herrington & Alana Peerson
June 7	1 st Service	Dawn Cook & Arline Bradshaw
	2 nd Service	Angelia & Aubrey Hudkins